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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION IN NPG ACTIVITIES

1. ALLIED DECISION TO POSTPONE NOVEMBER 7-8 NPG
MINISTERIAL MEETING (USNATO 5948) AS A MEANS OF PRO-
VIDING TIME TO RESOLVE ISSUE OF PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION
CONFRONTS ALLIES WITH THE NEED TO DEAL AS WELL WITH
THE ISSUE OF PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION IN OTHER NPG
ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING MEETINGS OF NPG PERMREPS, NPG
STAFF GROUP AND THE AD HOC STUDY GROUP ON NEW WEAPONS
TECHNOLOGY SCHEDULED TO MEET NOVEMBER 12-14. ACCORDINGLY,
YOU SHOULD INDICATE TO SYG LUNS AND NPG PERMREPS THAT
(A) WE WISH TO POSTPONE ANY FURTHER MEETINGS OF NPG SUB-
BODIES, INCLUDING PERMREPS AND STAFF GROUP UNTIL THE

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ISSUE OF PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION IN THE NPG IS RE-

SOLVED; AND (B) US, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE NPG AD HOC
STUDY GROUP ON NEW WEAPONS TECHNOLOGY PLANS TO POSTPONE
INDEFINITELY THE NOVEMBER 12-14 MEETING OF THAT GROUP.

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